

accomplished more efficiently by an examination of all of the claims with the present application. It is believed that, although an argument can be made that the inventions are distinct, and that they may be used for different functions, nevertheless, examination of any of the three groups of claims should include consideration of the other claims and of the art related to the other claims. Because the subject matter is therefore related and overlapping, it is respectfully asserted that an examination of each set of claims independently, in separate applications, would in the end be less efficient and less effective. However, in the event that the restriction is not removed, however, it is respectfully requested that it be made final.


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